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In re Application of:	)
Catia Bastioli <i>et al.</i>	) Examiner: A. O. Pearse
Serial No.: 09/936,534	) Art Unit: 1761
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2005, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before March 14, 2006. 37 CFR §§ 1.8 and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$60.00 (small entity) to cover the fee for the extension of time. 37 CFR § 1.17. Please charge any required extension-of-time fees not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Amendment Dated: March 13, 2006

Reply to Office Action Dated: November 14, 2005

Please amend the application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION** begin on page 3 of this paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 7 of this paper.

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